

BARNABY AIR

Project update

The Hamilton Project
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Creative consultation

One of the major outputs of the Barnaby AIR project is to produce a manifesto of ideas for public art in Macclesfield. Representing as wide a range of views as possible is key. So to this end we have budgeted for three in person creative consultation sessions, each facilitated by artist Fabric Lenny.

So far, we've conducted these sessions at Treacle Market in June, on the Weston Park in October (*see October report for details*) and have one further session planned for the Moss. We're in consultation with Security in Place to look at this session taking place over the Easter holidays. We could potentially team up with Cre8 to attract more active participants.



Other consultation methods

To coincide with the Moss consultation, we'll also use Barnaby digital channels to invite people to further comment on their views of public art.

Barnaby AIR micro-commissions

A total of four micro-commissions will be delivered over the course of the Barnaby AIR project

Micro-commission #1

First micro-commission will be the creation and completion of a park bench inspired by the consultation process at the Weston. Fabric Lenny is working to deliver this. His work has been interrupted by ill-health. (Commissioned in partnership with SIP.)

Micro-commission #2

Local film producers Flownamix were commissioned to catalogue 'light' events (and other aspects of light) that happen around Macc in the winter, linking with the Town Hall projection and the LIT projection trail on the 3rd and 4th December. They have also catalogued existing public art in the town and are currently editing a two-minute piece for social media use (*see above*). Again, Covid interrupted their schedule over December/January. (Solus Barnaby AIR commission.)

Micro-commission #3

We will call out to Macclesfield and Cheshire-based creatives for a response to a brief created around the theme of public art. The budget for this co-commission is only £500 (as are the other solus Barnaby commissions, so expectations should be managed as to the scale of the response. We would expect something to be 'oven-ready'.)

Micro-commission #4

Scheduled for Barnaby 2022. Arising from the culmination of the consultation process, the map and the manifesto. (Co-commissioned with SIP.)

Map

As stated in the October report, we're waiting for all consultations to be complete before map is delivered. Fabric Lenny will deliver a concept imminently and we will update you accordingly. The map will sit on the Barnaby website.